BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 98-440-E - ORDER NO. 98-737

SEPTEMBER 24, 1998

IN RE: Request of Carolina Power & Light Company to Update the Standards for Periodic Testing of Electric Meters.

ORDER ADOPTING

NEW METER TESTING

STANDARDS FOR CP&L

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Carolina Power & Light Company (CP&L or the Company) to update the standards for periodic testing of electric meters.

In an Order in Docket No. 89-499-E, dated February 6, 1990, we approved changes to CP&L's procedure for testing electric meters. In that Order, the Commission approved the periodic test frequencies recommended by the then current (1988)

American National Standards Institute (ANSI) schedule for periodic testing for metering accuracy (Code C12.1). CP&L has filed meter testing reports each year since 1990 following this procedure.

ANSI issued a new version of these standards in 1995. CP&L requests that the new updated 1995 standards be applicable for future periodic testing of its meters.

Accordingly, CP&L requests that we approve the new ANSI standards (1995) for periodic meter testing in lieu of the 1988 standards previously approved for the Company.

We have examined the updated 1995 ANSI standards, and have determined that they are appropriate for use in lieu of the old 1988 standards for meter testing. We therefore grant CP&L's request that the new standards be adopted, and the new standards are so adopted.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Acting Executive Director

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